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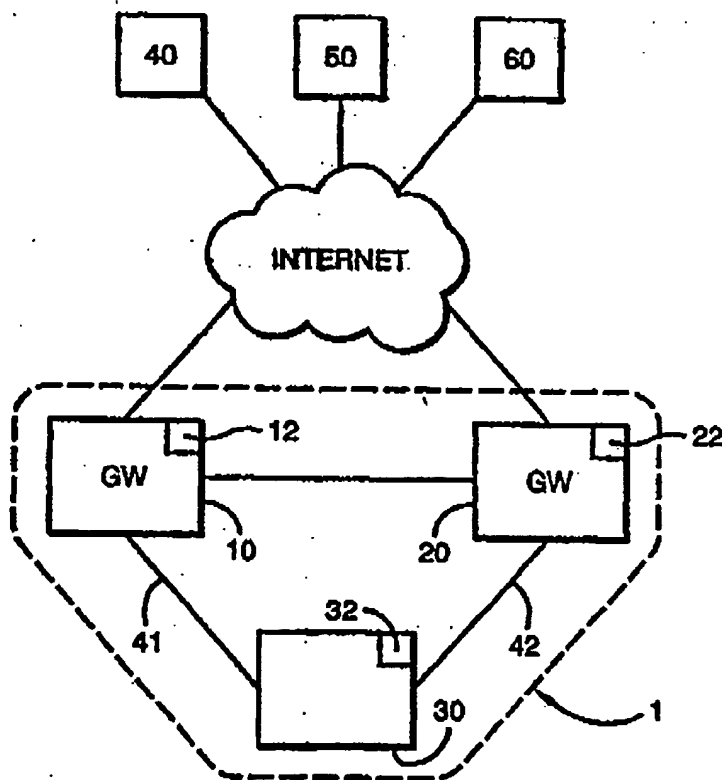
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(57) Abstract: Methods and devices for transferring large e-mail messages are described herein. More specifically, one such method comprises providing a mail network comprising an initiator (30) and at least two gateways (10 and 20), the initiator identifying a mail message recipient and identifying advertising material to be mailed to the recipient (40), selecting a gateway from the at least two gateways, and requesting the selected gateway to generate an e-mail message to the recipient; and the selected gateway generating and sending the requested message.

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